

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Chief Warrant Officer Five Gary L. Dykstra's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, We have very few occasions to recognize these patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, Chief Warrant Officer Five Dykstra has devoted over 31 years of his life to the service of this state and country as an Aeromedical Evacuation Pilot, including services in Kosovo; and,

*Whereas*, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

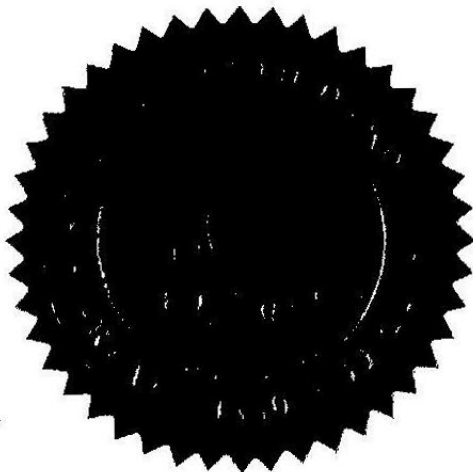
*Whereas*, Chief Warrant Officer Five Dykstra continues to give of himself; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Chief Warrant Officer Five Gary L. Dykstra for over 31 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 31, 2012, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gann*  
Jason M. Gann, Secretary of State